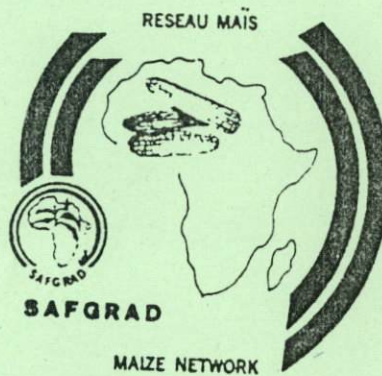


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## FOREWORD

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Maize, one of the four mandate crops of SAFGRAD, is an important cereal in the diets of many people in West and Central Africa. This document which has been compiled by Dr. J.M. Fajemisin (Coordinator of the Maize Network for West and Central Africa) contains a wealth of information of scientific and practical use to researchers and maize consumers.

Commercial farmers in areas with either adequate rainfall or irrigation facilities, are now better equipped to determine the types of varieties they can plant to maximize their profits and improve living conditions for themselves and their neighbours.

In addition, the publication has helped to project the important roles played by national agricultural research systems in generating improved maize varieties -within the network- in collaboration with IITA and CIMMYT. Also obvious in the report are the achievements of IITA, especially in streak virus resistance, as well as the importance which CIMMYT maize germplasm has continued to play even in areas where CIMMYT no longer has a direct mandate for maize.

SAFGRAD will continue to refine the classification of maize and other crop varieties involved in its networks and target them to those ecologies of West and Central Africa where they can be of maximum benefit to their users.

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## PREFACE TO FIRST EDITION

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For over ten years, the Semi-Arid Food Grain Research and Development Project --SAFGRAD-- has provided a mechanism for National Programs in Africa to evaluate maize varieties developed in International Agricultural Centers like IITA and CIMMYT and from other National Programs. This has enabled maize workers to identify materials adapted to conditions prevailing in their countries. Some of these varieties are now grown by farmers in several countries while some have been used for further breeding process.

This publication was prepared with the objective of providing information on the varieties that were included in the SAFGRAD trials for a minimum of two years from 1979 to 1989. It is hoped that this will facilitate better understanding and thus assist maize breeders, seed technologists, extension workers, and farmers in the proper use of the varieties reported therein. The ultimate goal is the judicious exploitation of the available genetic resources for improving the efficiency of maize production in the semi-arid zone and indeed in tropical Africa as a whole.

Ouagadougou, February 1991

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## PREFACE TO SECOND EDITION

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The first edition of the Maize Varieties in SAFGRAD Regional Trials 1979-1989 was published in 1991. Since that time, a number of high yielding maize varieties with resistance to streak, and tolerance to drought particularly in the two maturity groups, extra-early and early have been developed by IITA-SAFGRAD and the National programs and made available for testing in the SAFGRAD Regional Trials. Some of these varieties have proved promising in the SAFGRAD member countries and have either been released, recommended for release or are at the on-farm testing stage. There is therefore a justification for preparing a new edition of this publication to provide an update of the available information and thereby increase its overall usefulness.

A list of the extra-early and early maturing varieties that have been tested in the regional trials from 1990-1992 and their characteristics as well as other relevant information have been provided in the second edition.

In 1990, an arrangement was made between the SAFGRAD Maize Network for West and Central Africa and IITA to harmonize germplasm delivery to NARS in order to prevent duplication and overburdening of the national scientists. As a result, the coordination of the late/intermediate variety trials was left with IITA while IITA also handed over to SAFGRAD, the organization of the international testing of all early and extra-early maturing varieties in the subregion. Consequently, information on the late/intermediate varieties tested in SAFGRAD member countries from 1990-1992 has not been provided in this second edition.

Ouagadougou, June, 1992

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Ouagadougou, June, 1992

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## USER'S GUIDE

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The varieties are classified into four maturity groups based on the number of days from planting to physiological maturity or the earliest safe time for harvesting as germinable dry grains.

- Late : 120  $\pm$  10 days
- Intermediate : 100  $\pm$  5 days
- Early : 90  $\pm$  5 days
- Extra-early : 85 days or less

This classification applies strictly to lowland ecology (below 800 m) to which most of the varieties herein reported are targeted.

For agronomic traits presented as range values, the average of the two figures represent the mean parameter whilst figures outside the range can be considered atypical for the variety. For example, a mid-silk range of 45-55 indicates a mean of 50 days from planting to when 50% of the plants must have produced silk ; plants silking before 45 days or after 55 days can safely be regarded as not typical of that variety.

Recommendation was based on targeting specific maize variety to an ecology in which the cropping season will least expose the plants to long dry period during the most sensitive period of 15 to 21 days before and 35 to 45 days after silking, representing the generative and grain-filling stages, respectively. As a rule of thumb, maize culture in Northern Guinea Savanna and Sudan Savanna should be practised in a way that the varieties sown are of the maturity cycle that can flower by 10th August that is, intermediate/late varieties for Northern Guinea and early varieties for Sudan savanna. In the Sudan-Sahelian transition zone and for late plantings in Sudan savanna, often caused by late onset of rainfall, extra-early varieties may be more dependable ; such varieties can also be planted early in regular years by farmers in other ecological zones who want to take advantage of their extra-earliness to reach the market as early as possible with "green maize" --the hunger-period breaker in the savannas.

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## ABUROTIA

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### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1987, 1988.

### Developed by

Ghana.

### Genetic background

Developed from CIMMYT Tuxpeno Planta Baja C16 as a result of multilocation recurrent selection within the country.

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 55-70  
Maturity : Late  
Plant height : 155-185 cm  
Ear height : 80-95 cm  
No. of leaves : 16  
Disease reaction :  
    Resistant to : *maydis* leaf blight, *polysora* rust,  
                    and *Curvularia* leaf spot.  
    Susceptible to : maize streak virus  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential : 5.0-6.0 t/ha  
    Ear length : 12-16 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.5 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.80 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 84  
    1000-kernel weight : 207 g  
    Grain type : white dent.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 800$  mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

**Years in SAFGRAD Trials**

1979, 1980.

**Developed by**

IRAT/Benin.

**Synonym** : IRAT 38.

**Genetic background**

Contains 80% local germplasm (Jaune d'INA)  
and 20% of Central American germplasm.

**Agronomic characteristics**

Days to mid-silk : 58-70  
Maturity : Late  
Disease reaction  
    Susceptible to maize streak virus  
Lodging : High  
Yield potential : 3.5-5.0 t/ha  
Grain type : yellow flint.

**Recommendation**

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 800$  mm rainfall distributed within 110-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

## COMPOSITE 4

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### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1980, 1981, 1982.

### Developed by

Ghana.

### Genetic background

Developed from tropical germplasm.

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 52-64  
Maturity : Late  
Plant height : 210-255 cm  
Ear height : 125-155  
Yield potential : 4.5-6.5 t/ha  
Grain type : white dent.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

## COMPOSITE Y

### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1979, 1980, 1982.

### Developed by

IRAT/Côte d'Ivoire.

### Genetic background

Developed from 145 African maize ecotypes.

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 50-61  
Maturity : Late  
Plant height : 200-245 cm  
Ear height : 115-140 cm  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to maize streak virus  
Yield potential : 3.5-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type : yellow.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.



Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1983, 1984, and in 1986 as STAHA.

Developed by

Tanzania.

Synonym : STAHA.

Genetic background

Developed from Tanzanian population 76 which contains Ilonga composite, Tuxpeno 1 and Katumani.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 55-70  
Maturity : Late  
Plant height : 170-225 cm  
Ear height : 95-115 cm  
Disease reaction :  
- Susceptible to maize streak virus  
Yield potential : 4.0-6.0 t/ha  
Grain type : white semi-dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1986, 1987, 1988 and as Poza Rica 7822 and Ferke 7622 in 1981 and 1983.

Developed by

CIMMYT-IITA.

Genetic background

Poza Rica 7822, an experimental variety (EV) from CIMMYT population 22 (Mezcla Tropical Blanco --lowland tropical late maturing semi-dent maize) was crossed with IITA streak resistance source. This was subsequently backcrossed at IITA to the most recent and best performing EV from Pop 22 international testing coordinated by CIMMYT and streak resistant plants were recombined under artificially induced disease pressure.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 55-65  
Maturity : Late  
Plant height : 175-215 cm  
Ear height : 85-105 cm  
No. of leaves : 16  
Disease reaction :  
    Resistant to maize streak virus, *maydis* leaf blight,  
    *polysora* rust and *Curvularia* leaf spot.  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential : 5.0-6.5 t/ha  
    Ear length : 13-17 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.5 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.80 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 14-18  
    Shelling percent : 79  
    1000-kernel weight : 235 g  
    Grain type : white semi-dent  
    Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall within 120-days cropping season. Adapted to moist savanna.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1988, 1989.

Developed by

CIMMYT-IITA.

Genetic background

Ferke 7928, an experimental variety (EV) from CIMMYT population 28 (Amarillo Dentado) was crossed with IITA streak resistance source. This was subsequently backcrossed at IITA to the most recent and best performing EV from population 44 international testing coordinated by CIMMYT ; streak resistant plants were recombined under an artificially induced disease pressure.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to silk : 55-65

Maturity : Late

Plant height : 180-220 cm

Ear height : 85-105 cm

No of leaves : 16

Disease reaction :

Resistant to maize streak virus, *maydis* leaf blight, *polysora* rust and *Curvularia* leaf spot.

Lodging : negligible

Yield and yield components :

Yield potential : 5.0-6.5 t/ha

Ear length : 13-17 cm

Ear diameter : 4.5 cm

Kernel depth : 0.70 cm

No. of kernel rows : 14-18

Shelling percent : 82

1000-kernel weight : 221 g

Grain type : yellow semi-dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1986, 1987, 1988 and as Poza Rica 7843 in 1982-84.

Developed by

CIMMYT-IITA.

Genetic background

Poza Rica 7843, an experimental variety (EV) from CIMMYT population 43 (La Posta --white dent tropical maize based on Tuxpeno germplasm) was crossed with IITA streak resistance source. This was subsequently backcrossed at IITA to the most recent and best performing EV from Pop 43 international testing coordinated by CIMMYT and streak resistant plants were recombined under artificially induced disease pressure.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 55-65  
Maturity : Late  
Plant height : 185-225 cm  
Ear height : 90-110 cm  
No. of leaves : 18  
Disease reaction :  
    Resistant to: maize streak virus, *maydis* leaf blight,  
                  *polysora* rust and *Curvularia* leaf spot.  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield components :  
    Yield potential : 5.0-7.5 t/ha  
    Ear length : 14-18 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.5 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.80 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 14-18  
    Shelling percent : 81  
    1000-kernel weight : 217 g  
    Grain type : white dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall within 120-day cropping season. Adapted to rainforest zone.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1988, 1989.

Developed by

CIMMYT-IITA.

Genetic background

Tlaltizapan 8244, an experimental variety (EV) from CIMMYT population 44 (American early (from Egypt) with short plant Tuxpeno material) was crossed with IITA streak resistance source. This was subsequently backcrossed at IITA to the most recent and best performing EV from Pop 44 international testing coordinated by CIMMYT and streak resistant plants were recombined under artificially induced disease pressure.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 50-60

Maturity : Intermediate/Late

Plant height : 175-215 cm

Ear height : 85-105 cm

No. of leaves : 15

Disease reaction :

Resistant to maize streak virus, *maydis* leaf blight  
*polysora* rust and *Curvularia* leaf spot

Lodging : negligible

Yield and yield components

Yield potential : 4.5-6.5 t/ha

Ear length : 13-17 cm

Ear diameter : 4.1 cm

Kernel depth : 0.64 cm

No. of kernel rows : 12-16

Shelling percent : 80

1000-kernel weight : 207 g

Grain type : white dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 800$  mm rainfall distributed within 120-days cropping season. Adapted to moist savanna.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1987, 1988 and as TZSR-W-1 in 1979-81.

Developed by

IITA.

Genetic background

Developed from chain crosses between adapted tropical maize (TZB, TZPB, several CIMMYT experimental varieties) and TZ-Y as streak resistance source. This was followed by recurrent selection using full-sib family improvement scheme, multi-location international testing and regular monitoring for streak resistance under artificially induced pressure.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 56-69

Maturity : Late

Plant height : 160-195 cm

Ear height : 85-105 cm

No. of leaves : 16

Disease reaction :

Resistant to : maize streak virus, *polysora* rust, *Curvularia* leaf spot and moderately to *maydis* leaf blight.

Lodging : low

Yield and yield components :

Yield potential : 5.0-6.5 t/ha

Ear length : 14-18 cm

Ear diameter : 3.8 cm

Kernel depth : 0.64 cm

No. of kernel rows : 12-16

Shelling percent : 80

1000-kernel weight : 195 g

Grain type : white semi-dent

Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 800$  mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1987, 1988 and as TZSR-Y-1 in 1981-84.

Developed by

IITA.

Genetic background

Yellow-grained selections from chain-crosses between TZPB selections and streak-resistance source TZ-Y were crossed with Poza Rica 7428 (CIMMYT), 096EP6 (Nigeria) and IB 32 x La Revolution (a cross between two streak resistance sources). This was followed by full-sib recurrent selection scheme comprising multilocation international testing and regular monitoring for streak resistance under artificially induced pressure.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to silk : 55-65

Maturity : Late

Plant height : 185-230 cm

Ear height : 100-120 cm

No. of leaves : 16

Disease reaction :

Resistant to : streak virus, *polysora* rust,  
*Curvularia* leaf spot and  
moderately to *maydis* leaf blight

Lodging : low

Yield and yield components

Yield potential : 5.0-6.5 t/ha

Ear length : 13-17 cm

Ear diameter : 3.8 cm

Kernel depth : 0.64 cm

No. of kernel rows : 12-16

Shelling percent : 80

1000-kernel weight : 199 g

Grain type : yellow semi-flint

Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall within 120-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

## GOLDEN CRYSTAL

### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1980, 1981, 1982.

### Developed by

Ghana.

### Genetic background

Developed from tropical germplasm.

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 53-62  
Maturity : Late  
Plant height : 185-230 cm  
Ear height : 105-130 cm  
Yield potential : 4.5-6.5 t/ha  
Grain type : yellow dent.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.



Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1985, 1986.

Developed by

CIMMYT.

Genetic background

An experimental variety of CIMMYT population 32 (ETO Blanco) developed from selections carried out at Ilonga (Tanzania).

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 55-67  
Maturity : Late  
Plant height : 165-205 cm  
Ear height : 75-95 cm  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to maize streak virus  
Yield potential : 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type : white flint.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1979, 1989, 1981.

Developed by

IRAT/Burkina Faso.

Genetic background

Inter-varietal hybrid between NCB-yellow (Nigerian Composite B) and Kolaribougou (a Malian variety).

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 52-64

Maturity : Late

Disease reaction :

Susceptible to maize streak virus

Moderately tolerant to grain weevils (*Sitophilus*)

Yield potential : 4.5-6.5 t/ha

Grain type : yellow semi-dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1979, 1980.

Developed by

IRAT/Burkina Faso.

Genetic background

Inter-varietal hybrid between NCB-white (Nigerian Composite B) and Kabague (a Malian variety).

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 55-68

Maturity : Late

Disease reaction :

Moderately tolerant to grain weevils (*Sitophilus*)

Susceptible to maize streak virus

Yield potential : 4.5-6.5 t/ha

Grain type : white semi-dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

**Years in SAFGRAD Trials**

1982, 1983, 1984.

**Developed by**

IRAT/Côte d'Ivoire.

**Genetic background**

Complex hybrid of a CIMMYT experimental variety Poza Rica 7429 and a South African simple hybrid (M162W x M164W).

**Agronomic characteristics**

Days to mid-silk : 50-63  
Maturity : Late  
Plant height : 155-190 cm  
Ear height : 95-115 cm  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to maize streak virus  
Yield potential : 5.5-7.5 t/ha  
Grain type : white dent.

**Recommendation**

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 800$  mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1988, 1989.

Developed by

CIMMYT-IITA.

Genetic background

Maracay 7921, an experimental variety (EV) from CIMMYT population 21 (Tuxpeno 1 --white dent late tropical lowland relatively short plant maier), was crossed with IITA streak resistance source. This was subsequently backcrossed at IITA to the most recent and best performing EV from Pop 21 international testing coordinated by CIMMYT and streak resistant plants were recombined under artificially induced disease pressure.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 55-65

Maturity : Late

Plant height : 170-220 cm

Ear height : 65-85 cm

No. of leaves : 16

Disease reaction :

Resistant to maize streak virus, *maydis* leaf blight, *polysora* rust and *Curvularia* leaf spot.

Lodging : negligible

Yield and yield components

Yield potential : 4.0-6.5 t/ha

Ear length : 13-17 cm

Ear diameter : 4.5 cm

Kernel depth : 0.75 cm

No. of kernel rows : 12-16

Shelling percent : 82

1000-kernel weight : 212 g

Grain type : white dent

Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall distributed within 120-days cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1979, 1980, 1981.

Developed by

IRAT/Benin.

Synonym : IRAT 42.

Genetic background

Inter-varietal hybrid : Scar III x Custeno de Culiacan.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 51-63

Maturity : Late

Disease reaction :

Susceptible to *maydis* leaf blight, *polysora* rust and maize streak virus

Lodging : moderate

Yield potential : 4.0-5.5 t/ha

Grain type : white semi-dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 800$  mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from a cross between Philippine DMR and TZPB; this was advanced several generations for selection of promising white semi-dent grains.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 55-70  
Maturity : Late  
Plant height : 170-210 cm  
Ear height : 85-110 cm  
No. of leaves : 14  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to maize streak virus  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential : 4.5-6.0 t/ha  
    Grain type : white semi-dent  
    Ear length : 12-15 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.0 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.70 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 80  
    Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 800$  mm rainfall distributed within a  $\geq 120$ -day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

As TZB in 1979 and 1980.

Developed by

IITA.

Genetic background

TZB was developed from NCB (Nigerian Composite B) which originated from 4 cycles of synthesis of 43 maize cultivars from West Africa and the Carribeans. It was improved by multi-location full-sib family improvement scheme and later converted to streak resistant form by crossing with streak resistance source and backcrossing to Gusau 81 TZB.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 56-68  
Maturity : Late  
Plant height : 190-240 cm  
Ear height : 100-125 cm  
No. of leaves : 16  
Disease reaction :  
    Resistant to maize streak virus, *maydis* leaf blight, *polysora* rust and *Curvularia* leaf spot.  
Lodging : fairly susceptible to root lodging  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential : 5.0-7.0 t/ha  
    Grain type : white semi-flint.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season. Adapted to savanna.
- Population : 53,000/ha.



Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1988, 1989 and as TZPB in 1979-83.

Developed by

IITA.

Genetic background

TZPB was developed from CIMMYT Tuxpeno Planta Baja by subjecting it to adaptation to West African rainforest ecology through half-sib and full-sib family improvement in multilocation tests ; later converted to streak resistant form.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 56-68  
Maturity : Late  
Plant height : 180-220 cm  
Ear height : 85-105 cm  
No. of leaves : 16  
Disease reaction :  
    Resistant to maize streak virus, *maydis* leaf  
    blight, *polysora* rust and *Curvularia*  
    leaf spot  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential : 5.0-7.0 t/ha  
    Ear length : 14-18 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.5 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.64 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 80  
    1000-kernel weight : 237 g  
    Grain type : white dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  800 mm rainfall distributed within 120-day cropping season
- Plant density : 53,000/ha.

INTERMEDIATE  
MATURING VARIETIES

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1988, 1989.

Developed by

Togo.

Genetic background

Improved local floury cultivar (ZL2-BD) was crossed to Ikenne(1)8149-SR BC2 and backcrossed to ZL2-BD. Streak resistance was maintained by selecting under induced disease pressure.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 50-63  
Maturity : Intermediate  
Plant height : 150-190 cm  
Ear height : 70-90 cm  
No. of leaves : 15  
Disease reaction :  
    Resistant to *maydis* leaf blight, *polysora*  
    rust *Curvularia* leaf spot and streak virus.  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential : 4.5-5.5 t/ha  
    Ear length : 13-17 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.5 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.80 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 14-18  
    Shelling percent : 82  
    1000-kernel weight : 207 g  
    Grain type : white dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 700$  mm rainfall distributed within a 110-day cropping season.
- Population : 60,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1979, 1980.

Developed by

IRAT/Senegal.

Synonyms : IRAT 45, Blanc de Sefa III.

Genetic background

A complex hybrid (F64B x Oh41B) x (CI38.BB x CI64)  
x ZM 10.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 48-58

Maturity : Intermediate

Disease reaction :

Susceptible to *polysora* rust and maize  
streak virus

Yield potential : 4.0-6.0 t/ha

Grain type : white semi-dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 700$  mm rainfall distributed within 110-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

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Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1982, 1983.

Developed by

Ghana.

Genetic background

Developed from tropical germplasm.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 50-60  
Maturity : Intermediate  
Plant height : 195-240 cm  
Ear height : 110-135 cm  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to maize streak virus  
Yield potential : 4.5-6.5 t/ha  
Grain type : white dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  700 mm rainfall distributed within 110-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1985, 1986.

Developed by

CIMMYT-IITA.

Genetic background

Tocumen(1)7835, an experimental variety (EV) from CIMMYT population 35 (Antigua Republica Dominicana --yellow dent tropical intermediate maize) was crossed with IITA streak resistance source. This was subsequently backcrossed at IITA to the most recent and best performing EV from Pop 35 international testing coordinated by CIMMYT and streak resistant plants were recombined under artificially induced disease pressure.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 50-60  
Maturity : Intermediate  
Plant height : 155-195 cm  
Ear height : 75-85 cm  
Disease reaction :

Resistant to : streak virus, *maydis* leaf blight,  
*polysora* rust and *Curvularia*  
leaf spot

Lodging : low

Yield and yield components :

Yield potential : 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type : yellow dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  700 mm rainfall distributed within 110-day cropping season.
- Population : 60,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1986, 1987.

Developed by

CIMMYT-IITA.

Genetic background

Ikenne(1)8149, an experimental variety (EV) from CIMMYT population 49 (Blanco Dentado-2 --originating from Tuxpeno Crema 1, Cycle 17, white dent short plant lowland tropical maize) was crossed with IITA streak resistance source. This was subsequently backcrossed at IITA to the most recent and best performing EV from Pop 49 international testing coordinated by CIMMYT and streak resistant plants were recombined under artificially induced disease pressure.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 50-60

Maturity : Intermediate

Plant height : 145-180 cm

Ear height : 65-85 cm

No. of leaves : 14

Disease reaction :

Resistant to maize streak virus, *maydis* leaf blight, *polysora* rust and *Curvularia* leaf spot.

Yield and yield components

Yield potential : 4.0-5.5 t/ha

Ear length : 12-14 cm

Ear diameter : 4.2 cm

Kernel depth : 0.80 cm

No. of kernel rows : 14-18

Shelling percent : 85

Grain type : white dent

Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  700 mm rainfall distributed within 110-days cropping season.
- Population : 60,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1984, 1985.

Developed by

CIMMYT.

Genetic background

Developed from CIMMYT Pool 34 (Temperate intermediate yellow dent) improved for high quality protein.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 50-63  
Maturity : Intermediate/Late  
Plant height : 130-160 cm  
Ear height : 50-60 cm  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to maize streak virus  
Yield potential : 3.0-4.5 t/ha  
Grain type : yellow dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  700 mm rainfall distributed within 110-day cropping season
- Population : 53,000/ha.



Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1987, 1988, 1989.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from crosses between tropical and US temperate maize after recurrent selection to reduce susceptibility to tropical leaf-and ear-rot diseases.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 50-62

Maturity : Intermediate

Plant height : 190-230 cm

Ear height : 75-90 cm

No. of leaves : 14

Disease reaction :

Moderately resistant to : *maydis* leaf blight,  
*polysora* rust, *Curvularia* leaf spot  
and maize streak virus.

Lodging : negligible

Yield and yield components

Yield potential : 4.5-6.0 t/ha

Ear length : 13-17 cm

Ear diameter : 3.8 cm

Kernel depth : 0.64 cm

No. of kernel rows : 12-16

Shelling percent : 81

1000-kernel weight : 211 g

Grain type : yellow dent

Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 700$  mm rainfall within a 110-day cropping season. Adapted to moist savanna.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

## SYNTHETIC C

### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1983, 1984, 1985.

### Developed by

Senegal.

### Genetic background

Developed from population of Soviet lines and CIMMYT varieties.

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 53-65

Maturity : Intermediate

Disease reaction :

- Susceptible to maize streak virus
- Drought tolerant

Yield potential : 4.0-6.0 t/ha

Grain type : white semi-dent.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  700 mm rainfall distributed within 110-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1982, 1983, 1984, 1985.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Selected from a pool of crosses between US corn belt (temperate) and tropical germplasm subjected to tropicalization in order to reduce susceptibility to tropical diseases while retaining temperate plant type (reduced vegetative parts).

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 55-65  
Maturity : Intermediate/Late  
Plant height : 155-190 cm  
Ear height : 65-80 cm  
No. of leaves : 14  
Disease reaction :  
    Mildly resistant to : *maydis* blight, and  
                          *polysora* rust  
    Susceptible to : maize streak virus  
Lodging : low  
Yield and yield components :  
    Yield potential : 4.0-6.0 t/ha  
    Ear length : 16-24 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.4 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.7 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 80  
    Grain type : yellow semi-dent  
    Cob color : purple and white.

Recommendation

- Lowland and mid-altitude ecology (below 1000 m) with  $\geq 700$  mm rainfall distributed within 110-day cropping season. Adapted to moist savanna.
- Population : 60,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1982, 1983, 1984.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Selected from a pool of crosses between US corn belt (temperate) and tropical germplasm subjected to tropicalization in order to reduce susceptibility to diseases while retaining temperate plant type (reduced vegetative parts).

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 52-64  
Maturity : Intermediate/Late  
Plant height : 140-170 cm  
Ear height : 60-75 cm  
No. of leaves : 14  
Disease reaction :  
    Mildly resistant to : *maydis* blight, and  
                          *polysora* rust  
    Susceptible to : maize streak virus  
Lodging : low  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential : 3.5-5.5 t/ha  
    Ear length : 14-20 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 82  
    Ear diameter : 4.3 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.7 cm  
    Grain type : yellow semi-dent  
    Cob color : purple and white.

Recommendation

- Lowland and mid-altitude ecology (below 1000 m) with  $\geq 700$  mm rainfall distributed within 110-day cropping season. Adapted to moist savanna.
- Population : 60,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1979, 1980.

Developed by

Senegal.

Genetic background

Developed from a population of local varieties from Southern Senegal.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 50-60  
Maturity : Intermediate  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to *maydis* leaf blight,  
    maize streak virus and fairly resistant  
    to *polysora* rust.  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield potential : 4.0-6.0 t/ha  
Grain type : white flint.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 700$  mm rainfall distributed within 100-day cropping season.
- Population : 53,000/ha.

EARLY  
MATURING VARIETIES

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1988, 1989, 1990, 1991.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from Pool 16 (a CIMMYT white dent early maize improved for good plant type, earliness, and tolerance to high plant density) after two cycles of selection for drought tolerance (DT) in Burkina Faso using full-sib family improvement scheme.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 45-55

Maturity : Early

Plant height : 145-175 cm

Ear height : 65-80 cm

N°. of leaves : 14

Disease reaction :

Resistant to : *maydis* leaf blight, *polysora* rust *Curvularia* leaf spot.

Moderately resistant to : maize streak virus.

Tolerant to drought.

Lodging : negligible

Yield and yield components :

Yield potential : 4.0-5.5 t/ha

Ear length : 13-17 cm

Ear diameter : 4.5 cm

Kernel depth : 0.80 cm

No. kernel rows : 12-16

Shelling percent : 84

1000-kernel weight : 235 g

Grain type : white dent

Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted
- Population : 66,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1990.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from Pool 16 (a CIMMYT white dent early maize) and improved for good plant type, earliness, and tolerance to drought in Burkina Faso using full-sib selection scheme.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 45-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 150-175 cm  
Ear height: 65-80 cm  
Tolerant to drought  
Lodging: negligible  
Yield potential: 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white dent  
Cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.



Years in SAFGRAD TRIALS

1990, 1991.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from Pool 16 (a CIMMYT white dent early maize improved for good plant type, earliness and tolerance to high plant density) for drought tolerance (DT) in Burkina Faso using full-sib family improvement scheme.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 45-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 145-175 cm  
Ear height: 65-80 cm  
Tolerant to drought  
Lodging: negligible  
Yield potential: 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white dent  
Cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from Pool 16 (a CIMMYT white dent early maize improved for good plant type, earliness, and tolerance to high plant density) for drought tolerance (DT) in Burkina Faso using full-sib family improvement scheme.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 45-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 145-175 cm  
Ear height: 65-80 cm  
Tolerant to drought  
Lodging: negligible  
Yield potential: 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white dent  
Cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1991, 1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Local variety from Benin Republic improved for streak resistance.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 48-56  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 185-215 cm  
Ear height: 95-125 cm  
Lodging: low  
Yield potential: 3.0-4.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white flint  
Cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  600 mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adopted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1986, 1987.

Developed by

CIMMYT.

Genetic background

An experimental variety developed by recombining best families of CIMMYT population 45 (sub-tropical-temperate, intermediate, maturity, yellow dent) selected in Capinopolis. Broad germplasm improved for reduced plant height.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to maturity : 48-58  
Maturity : Early/Intermediate  
Plant height : 150-190 cm  
Ear height : 75-95 cm  
No. of leaves : 14  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to maize streak virus  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential : 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
    Ear diameter : 4.2 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.7 cm  
    Ear length : 12-16 cm  
    Shelling percent : 81  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Grain type : yellow dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland to mid-altitude (up to 1000 m) within  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Population : 60.000/ha.

## COMPOSITE D

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### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1979, 1980.

### Developed by

IRAT/Côte d'Ivoire.

### Genetic background

Composite created from local varieties from Africa.

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 45-54

Maturity : Early

Plant height : 175-240 cm

Ear height : 90-130 cm

Disease reaction

Susceptible to *polysora* rust, *maydis* blight *Curvularia* leaf spot and maize streak virus

Yield potential : 2.5-4.0 t/ha

Grain type : yellow flint.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall distributed within 90-day cropping season.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1984, 1985, 1986, 1990.

Developed by

IITA.

Genetic background

Developed from crosses of adapted varieties (TZB, TZPB, Trop. late white dent) with downy mildew resistance sources from the Philippines and Thailand followed by recurrent selection for earliness and disease resistance under pressure of downy mildew and streak virus in alternating seasons.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 48-54  
Maturity : Early  
Plant height : 175-210 cm  
Ear height : 75-100 cm  
No. of leaves : 15  
Disease reaction :  
    Resistant to : downy mildew, streak virus,  
                  *maydis* leaf blight, *polysora*  
                  rust, and *Curvularia* leaf spot.  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield component :  
    Yield potential : 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
    Ear length : 13-16 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.5 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.80 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 84  
    1000-kernel weight : 230 g  
    Grain type : white semi-dent  
    Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season  
Widely adapted.
- Population : 60,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1989, 1990.

Developed by

IITA.

Genetic background

Developed from crosses of adapted varieties (Western yellow, 096EP6) with downy mildew resistance sources from the Philippines and Thailand followed by recurrent selection for earliness and disease resistance under pressure of downy mildew and streak virus in alternating seasons.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 47-55  
Maturity : Early  
Plant height : 180-220 cm  
Ear height : 85-100 cm  
No. of leaves : 16  
Disease reaction :  
    Resistant to : downy mildew, maize streak virus, *maydis* leaf blight, *polysora* rust and *Curvularia* leaf spot.  
    Drought tolerant  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential : 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
    Ear length : 14-18 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.5 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.80 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 84  
    1000-kernel weight : 231 g  
    Grain type : yellow flint  
    Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Population : 60,000/ha.

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Years in SAFGRAD TRIALS

1990.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

A composite of Local unimproved varieties.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 46-55

Maturity: Early

Plant height: 164-175 cm

Ear height: 65-85 cm

Tolerant to drought

Lodging: Low

Yield potential: 3.0-4.5 t/ha

Grain type: mixture of dent/flint, white/yellow

Cob color: white-violet.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  600 mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.



Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1988, 1989.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from Pool 16 (a CIMMYT white dent early maize improved for good plant type, earliness, and tolerance to high plant density) after two cycles of selection for drought tolerance (DT) and earliness in Burkina Faso using full-sib family improvement scheme.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 45-55  
Maturity : Early  
Plant height : 140-170 cm  
Ear height : 65-80 cm  
No. of leaves : 14  
Disease reaction :  
    Resistant to : *maydis* leaf blight, *polysora*  
                    rust *Curvularia* leaf spot  
    Mildly resistant to : maize streak virus.  
Tolerant to drought  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential : 4.0-5.0 t/ha  
    Ear length : 13-17 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.1 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.64 cm  
    No. kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 84  
    1000-kernel weight : 228 g  
    Grain type : white dent  
    Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  600 mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1983, 1984.

Developed by

Tanzania.

Synonym

Kito.

Genetic background

Developed from Tanzanian population 88 which contain CIMMYT population 30 (Blanco Cristalino-2).

Agronomic background

Days to mid-silk : 44-54  
Maturity : Early  
Plant height : 140-170 cm  
Ear height : 50-65 cm  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to maize streak virus  
Yield potential : 3.5-4.5 t/ha  
Grain type : white flint.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  600 mm rainfall distributed within 90-day cropping season.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

As Pirsaback 7930 in 1982, 1983, 1984.

Developed by

CIMMYT-IITA.

Genetic background

Pirsaback(1) 7930, an experimental variety (EV) from CIMMYT population 30 (Blanco Cristallino-2 --a mixture of Compuesto selection precoz and Pool 15 (tropical early white flint), was crossed with IITA streak resistance source. This was subsequently backcrossed at IITA to the most recent and best performing EV from Pop 30 international testing coordinated by CIMMYT and streak resistant plants were recombined under artificially induced disease pressure.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 45-55

Maturity : Early

Plant height : 155-205 cm

Ear height : 55-70 cm

No. of leaves : 14

Disease reaction:

Resistant to maize streak virus, *maydis* leaf blight, *Curvularia* leaf spot and moderately to *polysora* rust.

Lodging : low

Yield and yield components :

Yield potential : 3.5-4.5 t/ha

Ear length : 12-16 cm

No. of kernel rows : 12-16

Shelling percent : 80

Grain type : white flint

Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall distributed within 90-day cropping season.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1985, 1986, 1987.

Developed by

CIMMYT-IITA.

Genetic background

Poza Rica 7931, an experimental variety (EV) from CIMMYT population 31 (Amarillo Cristalino-2 --yellow flint early maize from Compuesto selection precoz and crosses of tropical x temperate materials) was crossed with IITA streak resistance source. This was subsequently backcrossed at IITA to the most recent and best performing EV from Pop 31 international testing coordinated by CIMMYT and streak resistant plants were recombined under artificially induced disease pressure.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 45-55

Maturity : Early

Plant height : 160-205 cm

Ear height : 65-90 cm

No. of leaves : 14

Disease reaction :

Resistant to streak virus, *maydis* leaf blight, *Curvularia* leaf spot and moderately to *polysora* rust

Lodging : low

Yield and yield components :

Yield potential : 3.5-5.0 t/ha

Ear length : 13-18 cm

No. of kernel rows : 12-16

Shelling percent : 83

Grain type : yellow semi-flint

Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall distributed within 90-day cropping season.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

**Years in SAFGRAD Trials**

1990, 1991.

**Developed by**

IITA-SAFGRAD.

**Genetic background**

Developed from CIMMYT population 30 and improved for streak resistance and other agronomic characteristics.

**Agronomic characteristics**

Days to mid-silk: 45-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 155-195 cm  
Ear height: 55-80 cm  
Lodging: low  
Yield potential: 3.6-4.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white flint  
Cob color: white.

**Recommendation**

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1990, 1991.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from CIMMYT Pop 31 (Amarillo Cristallino-2) and improved for streak resistance and other agronomic traits.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 45-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 160-195 cm  
Ear height: 65-90 cm  
Lodging: low  
Yield potential: 3.5-5.0 t/ha  
Grain type: yellow semi-flint  
Cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  600 mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.



Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from Pool 16 (a CIMMYT white dent early maize improved for good plant type, earliness, and tolerance to high plant density) for drought tolerance (DT) in INA (Benin) using full-sib family improvement scheme.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 45-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 165-180 cm  
Ear height: 65-80 cm  
Tolerant to drought  
Lodging: negligible  
Yield potential: 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white dent  
Cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.



## JAUNE DENTE DE BAMBEY

### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1985, 1986.

### Developed by

Senegal.

### Genetic background

Developed from CIMMYT experimental variety  
Tocumen 7635 (Population 35 --Antigua Republica  
Dominicana).

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 46-56  
Maturity : Early/Intermediate  
Plant height : 150-185 cm  
Ear height : 75-95 cm  
Disease reaction :  
    Fairly resistant to *maydis* leaf blight,  
                            *polysora* rust and  
                            *Curvularia* leaf spot  
    Susceptible to maize streak virus  
Yield potential : 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type : yellow dent.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  600 mm  
rainfall distributed within 90-day cropping  
season.
- Population : 60,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1987, 1988, 1989 ; as TZESR-W in 1982-84 ;  
and as Mayo Galke 82 TZESR-W in 1985, 1986.

Developed by

IITA.

Genetic background

Synthesized from early maturing varieties from  
Asia and streak resistant IITA line IB 32.  
Improved by multilocation recurrent selection  
with regular monitoring for high level of streak  
resistance under induced disease pressure.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 47-57  
Maturity : Early  
Plant height : 150-185 cm  
Ear height : 75-90 cm  
No. of leaves : 14  
Disease reaction :  
    Resistant to : maize streak virus, *maydis*  
                  leaf blight, *polysora* rust  
                  and *Curvularia* leaf spot.

Lodging : low

Yield and yield components :  
    Yield potential 3.5-5.0 t/ha  
    Ear length : 13-17 cm  
    Ear diameter : 3.8 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.64 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 82  
    1000-kernel weight : 235 g  
    Grain type : white flint  
    Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm  
rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Population : 60,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from Pool 16 (a CIMMYT white dent early maize improved for good plant type, earliness, and tolerance to high plant density) for drought tolerance (DT) in Nyankpala (Ghana) using full-sib family improvement scheme.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 45-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant density: 165-185 cm  
Ear height: 68-85 cm  
Tolerant to drought  
Lodging: negligible  
Yield potential: 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white dent  
cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

## SAFITA-2

### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1982 - 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992.

### Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

### Genetic background

Selection from Pool 16 (a CIMMYT white dent early maize improved for good plant type, earliness, and tolerance to high plant density) at Kamboinsé, Burkina Faso after some cycles of half-sib.

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 45-55  
Maturity : Early  
Plant height : 145-170 cm  
Ear height : 70-85 cm  
No. of leaves : 14  
Disease reaction :  
    Resistant to : *maydis* leaf blight,  
                  *polysora* rust and  
                  *Curvularia* leaf spot  
    Susceptible to : maize streak virus.  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential : 4.0-5.0 t/ha  
    Ear length : 13-17 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.5 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.64 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 85  
    1000-kernel weight : 245 g  
    Grain type : white dent  
    Cob color : white.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall distributed within 90-day cropping season.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

## SAFITA-104

### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985.

### Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

### Genetic background

Developed from crosses between US cornbelt germplasm and improved adapted Nigerian yellow cultivars (Western yellow, 096EP6) and improved by half-sib family scheme for 3 years emphasizing earliness.

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 45-58  
Maturity : Early  
Plant height : 165-220 cm  
Ear height : 70-95 cm  
No. of leaves : 13  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to maize streak virus  
Lodging : low  
Yield and yield potential  
    Yield potential : 3.5-4.5 t/ha  
    Ear length : 12-16 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.0 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.7 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 81  
    Grain type : yellow semi-dent  
    Cob color : purple and white.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  600 mm rainfall distributed within 90-day cropping season.
- Population : 60,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD TRIALS

1990, 1991.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

A composite of TZESR-W, DMR-ESR-W, EV 30 SR and Pool 16 DR.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 46-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 163-175 cm  
Ear height: 75-80 cm  
Lodging: low  
Yield potential: 3.5-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white semi-dent  
Cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 mm) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

**Years in SAFGRAD TRIALS**

1990, 1991, 1992.

**Developed by**

IITA.

**Genetic background**

TZESR-W, crossed to a local floury source and improved for soft floury endosperm.

**Agronomic characteristics**

Days to mid-silk: 47-56  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 150-185 cm  
Ear height: 75-90 cm  
Lodging: low  
Yield potential: 3.5-5.0 t/ha  
Grain type: white flint and floury  
Cob color: white.

**Recommendation**

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  600 mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD TRIALS

1990, 1991, 1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from Pool 16 (a CIMMYT white dent early maize improved for good plant type, earliness and tolerance to high plant density) for tolerance to high population density (HD) at Farako-Bâ as a method for drought tolerance (DT) breeding using full-sib family improvement scheme.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 45-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 140-175 cm  
Ear height: 65-80 cm  
Tolerant to drought  
Lodging: negligible  
Yield potential: 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white dent  
Cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-days cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.



Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from Pool 16 (a CIMMYT white dent early maize improved for good plant type, earliness, and tolerance to high plant density) for tolerance to drought (DT) at Farako-Bâ using full-sib family improvement scheme.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 45-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 140-175 cm  
Ear height: 65-80 cm  
Tolerant to drought  
Lodging: negligible  
Yield potential: 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white dent  
Cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1991, 1992.

Developed by

Burkina Faso.

Genetic background

A composite of DMR-ESR-Y, Pool 6, Pool 12, Revolution Precoce, FBC4, Maka, IRAT 217 and TZESR-Y-C2.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 47-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 65-100 cm  
Lodging: negligible  
Yield potential: 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type: yellow semi-flint  
Cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

**Years in SAFGRAD Trials**

1991. 1992.

**Developed by**

IITA.

**Genetic background**

Back-up Pool of early maturing germplasm.

**Agronomic characteristics**

Days to mid-silk: 47-56  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 165-180 cm  
Ear height: 75-85 cm  
Lodging: negligible  
Yield potential: 3.5-5.0 t/ha  
Grain type: white semi-dent  
Cob color: white.

**Recommendation**

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  600 mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 60,000 plants/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1988, 1989.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from Pool 16 (a CIMMYT white dent early maize improved for good plant type, earliness, and tolerance to high plant density) after two cycles of selection for drought tolerance (DT) in Burkina Faso using full-sib family improvement scheme.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 45-55  
Maturity : Early  
Plant height : 145-180 cm  
Ear height : 60-75 cm  
No. of leaves : 14  
Disease reaction :  
    Resistant to : *maydis* leaf blight, *polysora*  
                  rust and *Curvularia* leaf spot  
    Mildly resistant to : maize streak virus  
Tolerant to drought stress  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield components :  
    Yield potential : 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
    Ear length : 13-17 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.1 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.64 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 83  
    1000-kernel weight : 229 g  
    Grain type : white dent  
    Cob color : white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

**Years in SAFGRAD Trials**

1990, 1991, 1992.

**Developed by**

IITA-SAFGRAD.

**Genetic background**

Developed from Pool 16 (CIMMYT white dent early maize improved for good plant type, earliness and tolerance to high plant density) for drought tolerance (DT) in Burkina Faso, using full-sib family improvement scheme.

**Agronomic characteristics**

Days to mid-silk: 45-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 145-180 cm  
Ear height: 60-75 cm  
Tolerant to drought  
Lodging: negligible  
Yield potential: 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white dent  
Cob color: white.

**Recommendation**

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adopted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from Pool 16 (a CIMMYT white dent early maize improved for good plant type, earliness, and tolerance to high plant density) for drought tolerance (DT) in Burkina Faso using full-sib family improvement scheme.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 45-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 145-180 cm  
Ear height: 60-75 cm  
Tolerant to drought  
Lodging: negligible  
Yield potential: 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white dent  
Cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  600 mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

## KAWANZIE

### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1987, 1988, 1989.

### Developed by

Crops Research Institute, Ghana.

### Genetic background

Selection from CIMMYT Population 31  
(Amarillo Cristalino-2 early yellow flint  
maize of relatively short plants).

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 45-55  
Maturity : Early  
Plant height : 135-160 cm  
Ear height : 55-70 cm  
N° of leaves : 12  
Disease reaction :  
    Resistant to : *maydis* leaf blight,  
                  *Curvularia* leaf spot  
    Susceptible to : maize streak virus,  
                  *polysora* rust  
Lodging : low  
Yield and yield components :  
    Yield potential : 3.0-4.5 t/ha  
    Ear length : 12-16 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.1 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.64 cm  
    No. of kernel rows 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 81  
    1000-kernel weight : 230 g  
    Grain type : yellow flint  
    Cob color : white.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall distributed within 90-day cropping season.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1991, 1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Local variety from Mauritania improved for streak resistance.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 48-56  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 175-195 cm  
Ear height: 80-100 cm  
Tolerance to drought  
Lodging: low  
Yield potential: 3.5-5.0 t/ha  
Grain type: yellow semi-flint  
Cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  600 mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.



Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from Pool 16 (a CIMMYT white dent early maize improved for good plant type, earliness, and tolerance to high plant density) for drought tolerance (DT) in Maroua (Cameroon) using full-sib family improvement scheme.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 45-55  
Maturity: Early  
Plant height: 165-180 cm  
Ear height: 65-80 cm  
Tolerant to drought  
Lodging: negligible  
Yield potential: 4.0-5.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white dent  
Cob color: white.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall within 90-day cropping season.
- Widely adapted.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

MTS

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1982, 1983.

Developed by

IRAT/Côte d'Ivoire.

Synonym

IRAT 33.

Genetic background

MTS = Maïs Témoin Station  
Improved local from Katiola Violet.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 45-55  
Maturity : Early  
Plant height : 165-200 cm  
Ear height : 95-115 cm  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to *polysora* rust,  
                    *maydis* leaf blight and  
                    maize streak virus  
Yield potential : 3.0-5.0  
Grain type : White and purple semi-dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 600$  mm rainfall distributed within 90-day cropping season.
- Population : 60,000/ha.

**EXTRA-EARLY  
MATURING VARIETIES**

Days to mid-silk : 41-51 days  
Maturity : Extra-early

**(ACROSS 8131 X JFS) X LOCAL RAYTIRI F4**

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**Years in SAFGRAD Trials**

1987, 1988, 1989, 1990.

**Developed by**

IITA-SAFGRAD.

**Genetic background**

Advanced generation of crosses between CIMMYT experimental variety Across 8131 (from Population 31--Amarillo Cristalino-2) and two varieties from Burkina Faso-- JFS (Jaune flint de Saria) and Local Raytiri. Selected for improved plant type and extra-earliness.

**Agronomic characteristics**

Days to mid-silk : 41-51 days  
Maturity : Extra-early  
Plant height : 140-175 cm  
Ear height : 55-70 cm  
No. of leaves : 13  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to *maydis* leaf blight,  
    *Curvularia* leaf spot and  
    maize streak virus

Lodging : low

Yield and yield components  
Yield potential : 3.0-5.0 t/ha  
Ear length : 14-18 cm  
Ear diameter : 4.5 cm  
Kernel depth : 0.64 cm  
No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
Shelling percent : 82  
1000-kernel weight : 229 g  
Grain type : yellow flint.

**Recommendation**

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  500 mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

## CSP

### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992.

### Developed by

CIMMYT.

### Genetic background

CSP (Compuesto Seleccion Precoz) was derived from composting the early fractions of all late tropical CIMMYT populations.

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 40-50  
Maturity : Extra-Early  
Plant height : 130-160 cm  
Ear height : 55-70 cm  
No. of leaves : 12  
Disease reaction  
    Resistant to *maydis* leaf blight  
    Susceptible to : maize streak virus  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield components :  
    Yield potential : 3.0-5.0 t/ha  
    Ear length : 12-16 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.5 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.80 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 81  
    1000-kernel weight : 235 g  
    Grain type : yellow flint.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 500$  mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

## CSP X LOCAL RAYTIRI F4

### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992.

### Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

### Genetic background

Advanced generation of a cross between CSP (Compuesto Seleccion Precoz) from CIMMYT and a landrace from Burkina Faso (Local Raytiri).

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 41-50  
Maturity : Extra-early  
Plant height : 135-165 cm  
Ear height : 58-72 cm  
No. of leaves : 12  
Disease reaction :  
    Fairly susceptible to *maydis* leaf blight  
    and *Curvularia* leaf spot and  
    very susceptible to maize streak virus.  
Lodging : negligible  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential : 3.5-5.0 t/ha  
    Ear length : 13-17 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.5 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 83  
    1000-kernel weight : 239 g  
    Grain type : yellow flint.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 500$  mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1991, 1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from CSP-Early x EV 8431 SR.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 42-50  
Maturity: Extra-early  
Plant height: 132-164  
Ear height: 57-71  
Yield potential: 3.5-4.5 t/ha  
Grain type: Yellow flint.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 500$  mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1987, 1988, 1989, 1990.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Advanced generation of cross between CIMMYT Pool 27 (Temperate early white flint) and Colombian extra-early variety Gua 314. Selected for adaptation, improved plant type and extra-earliness in Burkina Faso.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 39-47  
Maturity : Extra-early  
Plant height : 130-160 cm  
Ear height : 50-65 cm  
No. of leaves : 11  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to *maydis* leaf blight,  
                    *polysora* rust,  
                    *Curvularia* leaf spot and  
                    maize streak virus.  
Lodging : low  
Yield and yield components :  
    Yield potential : 3.0-4.5 t/ha  
    Ear length : 11-15 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.1 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.79 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 86  
    1000-kernel weight : 239 g  
    Grain type : white semi-flint.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  500 mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population : 66,000/ha.



Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1987, 1988, 1990.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Advanced generation of cross between CIMMYT Pool 28 (Temperate early white dent) and Colombian extra-early variety Gua 314. Selected for adaptation, improved plant type and extra-earliness in Burkina Faso.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 40-48  
Maturity : Extra-early  
Plant height : 130-160 cm  
Ear height : 45-65 cm  
No. of leaves : 12  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to *maydis* leaf blight,  
    *polysora* rust, *Curvularia* leaf  
    spot and maize streak virus  
Lodging : low  
Yield and yield components :  
    Yield potential : 3.0-4.5 t/ha  
    Ear length : 11-15 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.1 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.79 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 87  
    1000-kernel weight : 243 g  
    Grain type : white dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 500$  mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1987, 1988, 1989, 1990.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Advanced generation of cross between CIMMYT population 30 (Blanco Cristalino-2) and Colombian variety Gua 314 after backcrossing once to Population 30.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 39-47  
Maturity : Extra-early  
Plant height : 130-160  
Ear height : 50-60  
No. of leaves : 12  
Disease reaction :  
    Midly resistant to *maydis* leaf blight,  
    *polysora* rust and *Curvularia* leaf  
    spot.  
    Susceptible to maize streak virus  
Lodging : low  
Yield and yield components :  
    Yield potential : 3.0-4.5 t/ha  
    Ear length : 11-15 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.5 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.80 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 85  
    1000-kernel weight : 234 g  
    Grain type : white semi-dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 500$  mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1991, 1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from TZEE-W pool.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 38-46  
Maturity: Extra-early  
Plant height: 123-151  
Ear height: 50-60  
Yield potential: 3-4 t/ha  
Grain type: white semi-dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  500 mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1988, 1989, 1990.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

A composite of CIMMYT germplasm EV8188, Pool 27 and a Colombian extra-early cultivar Gua 314. Selected for improved plant type and earliness at Kamboinse, Burkina Faso.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 38-46

Maturity : Extra-early

Plant height : 122-150 cm

Ear height : 50-60 cm

No. of leaves : 11

Disease reaction :

Susceptible to *maydis* leaf blight and *Curvularia* leaf spot under very humid conditions and to maize streak virus.

Lodging : low if harvested as soon as mature

Yield and yield components

Yield potential : 3.0-4.0 t/ha

Ear length : 10-14 cm

Ear diameter : 4.1 cm

Kernel depth : 0.80 cm

No. of kernel rows : 12-16

Shelling percent : 86

1000-kernel weight : 240 g

Grain type : white semi-dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 500$  mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1988, 1989, 1990.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

A composite of CIMMYT Pools 15, 16, 27, 28 and EV8188 IITA's TZESR-W and Gua 314 from Colombia. Selected for improved plant type and earliness at Kamboinse, Burkina Faso.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 38-46  
Maturity : Extra-early  
Plant height : 124-152 cm  
Ear height : 50-60 cm  
No. of leaves : 12  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to *maydis* leaf blight and  
    *Curvularia* leaf spot under  
    very humid conditions and to  
    maize streak virus  
Lodging : low if harvesting is not delayed  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential : 3.0-4.0 t/ha  
    Ear length : 11-15 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.1 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.80 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 86  
    1000-kernel weight : 246 g  
    Grain type : white dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 500$  mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

## TZEE-WHITE POOL

### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1990.

### Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

### Genetic background

Developed from TZEE-W1 x TZEE-W2.

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 38-46  
Maturity: Extra-early  
Plant height: 123-151  
Ear height: 50-60  
Yield potential: 3.0-4.0 t/ha  
Grain type: white dent.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 500$  mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1991, 1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from TZEE-W x Pop 30 SR.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 38-47  
Maturity: Extra-early  
Plant height: 151-163  
Ear height: 60-68  
Yield potential: 3.5-4.5 t/ha  
Grain type: white semi-dent.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  500 mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed at Kamboinse, Burkina Faso from a composite of yellow West African Sudan savanna landraces and improved yellow early populations and pools. Selected for extra-earliness and improved plant type.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 38-45  
Maturity : Extra-early  
Plant height : 120-147 cm  
Ear height : 45-60 cm  
No. of leaves : 13  
Disease reaction :  
    Susceptible to : *maydis* leaf blight, and  
                    *Curvularia* leaf spot under very  
                    humid conditions and to maize  
                    streak virus.  
Lodging : low if harvested as soon as mature  
Yield and yield components  
    Yield potential 3.0-4.0 t/ha  
    Ear length : 13-17 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.1 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.64 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 85  
    1000-kernel weight : 204  
    Grain type : yellow flint.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq$  500 mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population : 66,000/ha.



## TZEE-YELLOW POOL

### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1990.

### Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

### Genetic background

Developed from TZEE-Y x TZEF-Y.

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 38-46  
Maturity: Extra-early  
Plant height: 141-147  
Ear height: 45-60  
Yield potential: 3.0-4.0 t/ha  
Grain type: yellow flint.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 500$  mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1991, 1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Developed from TZEE-Y Pool x EV 8431 SR.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk: 38-47  
Maturity: Extra-early  
Plant height: 150-163  
Ear height: 60-68  
Yield potential: 3.5-4.5 t/ha  
Grain type: yellow flint

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 500$  mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population: 66,000 plants/ha.

## TZEF-Y

### Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992.

### Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

### Genetic background

Developed at Kamboinse, Burkina Faso from a composite of local Burkina Faso landraces and the following improved germplasm : Pools 17, 18, 29, CSP and Pop 46 from CIMMYT and SAFITA-104 from IITA. Selected for extra-earliness and improved plant type.

### Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 42-52

Maturity : Extra early/Early

Plant height : 130-165 cm

Ear height : 55-70 cm

No. of leaves : 13

Disease reaction :

Midly resistant to : *maydis* leaf blight,  
*polysora* rust and *Curvularia* leaf  
spot.

Susceptible to : maize streak virus

Lodging : low

Yield and yield components

Yield potential : 3.5-5.0 t/ha

Ear length : 12-16 cm

Ear diameter : 4.1 cm

Kernel depth : 0.64 cm

No. of kernel rows : 12-16

Shelling percent : 86

1000-kernel weight : 200 g

Grain type : yellow flint.

### Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 500$  mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

Years in SAFGRAD Trials

1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992.

Developed by

IITA-SAFGRAD.

Genetic background

Advanced generation of cross between IITA's TZESR-W and Colombian variety Gua 314 after backcrossing once to TZESR-W.

Agronomic characteristics

Days to mid-silk : 41-51  
Maturity : Extra-early/Early  
Plant height : 139-170 cm  
Ear height : 58-72 cm  
No. of leaves : 13  
Disease reaction :  
    Fairly resistant to *maydis* leaf blight,  
    *polysora* rust, *Curvularia* leaf  
    spot and maize streak virus.  
Lodging : low  
Yield and yield components :  
    Yield potential : 3.5-5.5 t/ha  
    Ear length : 9-13 cm  
    Ear diameter : 4.1 cm  
    Kernel depth : 0.64 cm  
    No. of kernel rows : 12-16  
    Shelling percent : 83  
    1000-kernel weight : 221 g  
    Grain type : white flint.

Recommendation

- Lowland ecology (below 800 m) with  $\geq 500$  mm rainfall distributed within 80-day cropping season. Sudan savanna.
- Population : 66,000/ha.

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